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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

FROM : Coordinator for Academic Relations, NFAC

SUBJECT : Discussion/Dinner Proposal for April: "Current  
Political and Economic Developments in Nigeria"

1. Action Requested: Approval of the above subject for our next discussion/dinner (after the discussion/dinner on International Finance scheduled for Thursday, 13 March). The date of Thursday, 24 April, has been set aside on your calendar for this purpose.

2. Background: Nigeria is the most important country in Black Africa from a number of points of view. At this time it seems remarkably stable, with a government that is handling its affairs with reasonable competence. But its past history, political structure, and the usual socio-economic problems of a developing country all call for a constant watch and periodic review of its condition and progress. [ ] agrees that the time is ripe for such an examination. He proposes to invite three of this country's leading authorities on Nigeria to participate in the discussion/dinner and to remain over the next day for a seminar with our West African analysts. The three are:

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Professor Jean Herskovits, SUNY-Purchase  
Professor Thayer Schatz, Temple  
Professor Michael Samuels, Georgetown

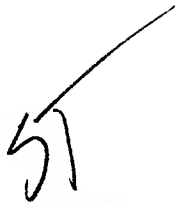
3. Recommendation: That you approve the subject and date proposed above for the next scheduled DCI discussion/dinner so that planning may proceed.



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APPROVED:

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Director of Central Intelligence

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DISAPPROVED:

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Director of Central Intelligence

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